





THE DESIGNS OF THE CENTURY

In the early part of this century, President Theodore Roosevelt turned to world-renowned sculptor Augustus Saint-Gaudens to create a coin that would rival those of ancient Greece. The result was a design that was to become the inspiration for the 1996 American Eagle Gold Proof Coins.

The 1996 Silver Proof brings to life the classic "Walking Liberty," originally created in 1916 by Saint-Gaudens' assistant, A.A. Weinman. Appreciated by collectors for its elegance, grace and beauty, the Silver Eagle is easily one of the most popular coins ever produced by the U.S. Mint.

**MADE TO PERFECTION
BY THE U.S. MINT**

Why does the image of Liberty seem to float on the coins? To achieve this cameo effect, coin blanks are hand-fed into presses that are fitted with specially sandblasted and polished dies. Then, each blank is struck at least twice, so that Liberty's frosted image appears in exquisite detail on top of a mirrored field. The U.S. Mint completes the process with a gloved-hand inspection. The result is perfection — sealed in a protective capsule and mounted in an elegant velvet display case.

LOW MINTAGE

1996 American Eagle Gold Proof Coins are limited. They have the lowest mintage limits of any coins produced by the U.S. Mint. The one-half ounce is limited to 50,000. The one ounce and the one-quarter ounce coins are minted in only slightly greater numbers. And remember, once any individual gold coin sells out, the Four-Coin Set will no longer be available.

FOR YOURSELF OR SOMEONE SPECIAL

It's easy to think of Eagle Proof Coins as the collector's items that belong on your shelf or mantle. Now think of them as the perfect gifts. If someone you know is celebrating a birthday or other special event in 1996, American Eagle Gold and Silver Proof Coins can provide a lasting remembrance of that important occasion.



ORDER NOW

History and beauty make the American Eagle Proof Coins a must for the collector or anyone looking for a creative gift. Order them today.

Order 1996 Eagle Proof Coins at 1995 prices now. To qualify for 1995 prices, order no later than May 6, 1996.

COIN	Mintage Limit	Mint Mark	Bullion Content (Troy oz.)	Diameter (mm)	'96 Price eff. 5/7/96	'95 Price special offer
GOLD						
One-Tenth Ounce	70,000	W	.100	16.50	\$75.00	\$70.00
One-Quarter Ounce	55,000	W	.250	22.00	159.00	150.00
One-Half Ounce	50,000	W	.500	27.00	299.00	285.00
One Ounce	55,000	W	1.000	32.70	589.00	570.00
Four-Coin Gold Set		W			1025.00	999.00
SILVER						
One Ounce	500,000	P	.999	40.60	23.00	23.00





1996 AMERICAN
EAGLE PROOF
COINS

WHAT ALL
OTHER COINS
ARE JUDGED BY



HOW TO ORDER

For your convenience, this package includes a personalized order form. Please fill it out and place it, with your remittance, in the return envelope. Order 24 hours a day by calling:

1-800-440-1276

Coins may be delivered in multiple shipments. Please allow approximately 4 weeks for delivery. Mintages are limited, so be sure to order today. If you have a question about your order, please contact:

Customer Service Center
United States Mint
10003 Derekwood Lane
Lanham, Maryland 20706
(202) 283-COIN

Our staff is available Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM Eastern Time, and will be glad to answer your inquiries.

Collector's record

Customer number:_____

Date of order:_____

Method of payment:_____

Amount of order:_____

Order description:_____



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WASHINGTON, DC 20220

Dear Eagle Collector:

In previous years, you've chosen American Eagle Proof Sets as a particular favorite. So as we launch the 1996 Proof Eagle Program, I want to offer you my sincere thanks for your support and encourage you to be one of our premier customers again this year.

The 1996 American Eagle Proof Gold Coins have the lowest mintage limits of any coins we've produced. For each size Proof Gold Eagle, maximum mintages will be 15,000 fewer coins than last year. And remember, purchases of Four-Coin Sets reduce the number of individual Gold Eagles available.

Recent increases in the price of gold force us to raise Gold Eagle prices for the first time in the history of the program. **However, we'll accept your Eagle Proof Coin purchase at 1995 prices if you order before midnight on May 6, 1996.**

You know that the Four-Coin Set has been the pinnacle of American Eagle Proof Coin collections since we started offering it in 1988. It makes an unforgettable gift for any occasion and is essential to the collection of serious numismatists. Make this a special year for someone close to you, and make this yet another year when you enjoy the finest coin craftsmanship and quality.

Again, thank you for your continued support of the U.S. Mint's American Eagle Proof Program. We look forward to serving you for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Philip N. Diehl
Director
United States Mint

P.S. Remember, to qualify for 1995 prices on Gold Eagles, order your coins before midnight on May 6th.